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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2009, setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group I, claims 1-19 and 21, drawn to a genetic vaccine construct comprising an avipoxvirus that expresses a prostrate specific polypeptide or a derivative thereof and optionally a sequence of nucleotides encoding an immunostimulatory peptide, and to a hybridization probe. Further, in connection with the requirement for species election, Applicants provisionally elect IL-2.

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